

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 96

Congratulating the Morningside College women's basketball team for winning the 2009 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Division II championship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 31, 2009

Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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Whereas on March 17, 2009, at the Tyson Event Center in Sioux City, Iowa, the Morningside College Mustangs won the national title game for the NAIA Division II women's basketball with a 68-63 win over the Hastings College Broncos;

Whereas Morningside College Mustangs captured the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) championship title with an 18-0 record;

Whereas Morningside College women's basketball Head Coach Jamie Sale was named NAIA Division II Coach of the Year;

Whereas 7 members of the Morningside College women's basketball team were named 2009 Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athletes for maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.50 and having at least a junior academic status: Cara Anderson, Autumn Bartel, Emily Christen, Sarah Culp, Mackenzi Mendlik, Roni Miller, and Brittany Williamson;

Whereas Autumn Bartel, a senior guard for Morningside College, was named Most Valuable Player of the NAIA Division II tournament;

Whereas Dani Gass, a senior guard for Morningside College, was named NAIA Division II Player of the Year;

Whereas the Morningside College women's basketball team was the unanimous number 1 vote in the final NAIA Division II Women's Basketball Coaches' Top 25 Poll, receiving 312 points and all 12 first place votes; and

Whereas the Mustangs finished the 2009 season with an undefeated record of 38-0, and was only the second team in NAIA Division II history to do so: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates the Morningside College Mustangs for winning the NAIA Division II national
3 championship; and
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5 (2) recognizes the achievements of the players,
6 coaches, and staff whose hard work and dedication
7 helped the Morningside College Mustangs win the
8 championship.

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